CITY OF CLIFTON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton was held in the Municipal Council Chambers of Clifton City Hall, 900 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey.

8:00 P.M. CALL OF ROLL

Mayor Grabowski called the meeting to order and presided, and announced that the location of exits should be noted for use in case of fire or other emergencies and that smoking regulations apply to the building and cell phones should be deactivated and turned off and read the following Statement of Compliance into the record:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Municipal Council for the year 2026, which was published as legal advertisements in the Herald News on November 20, 2025, and was additionally advertised in the Record on November 20, 2025. Further notice of this meeting was given on Friday prior to the meeting by posting of said notice on the bulletin board at City Hall and on the Clifton Website, which notice stated that formal action may or may not be taken on matters to come before the Municipal Council.

Upon roll call, the following were noted present:

Councilman Gibson	(BG) Via ZOOM
Councilman Kolodziej	(JK)
Councilman Latona	(AL)
Councilman D'Amato	(CD) arrived at 8:00 PM
Councilwoman Pino	(RP)
Councilwoman Sadrakula	(MS)
Mayor Grabowski	(RG)

Also present were City Attorney, Thomas Egan; Assistant City Attorney, Andrew Oddo; City Manager, Gary DeMarzo; City Clerk, Kathleen Tolosi; Deputy City Clerk, Megan Krusznis.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Rabbi Kronenberg

PUBLIC HEARING

There was no public hearing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino and passed on roll call vote to approve the following Minutes:

Approval of Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2026
Approval of Executive Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2026
Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2026

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

C-1 Jose Diaz, Public Safety, resigned from his position of Special Law Enforcement Officer effective January 1, 2026.
C-2 Eduardo Dehais, Public Safety, resigned from his position of Special Law Enforcement Officer effective January 1, 2026.
C-3 Derek Fogg, Public Safety, retired from his position of Police Sergeant, effective January 1, 2026.
C-4 William Gumann, Public Works, retired from position of Supervisor of Public Works, effective January 1, 2026.
C-5 Carolyn Bondonna, Regulatory Affairs, retired from position of Technical Assistant to the Construction Official effective January 1, 2026.
C-6 Cheryl Cafone, Human Services, hired as Public Health Nurse, at $65,000 annually, effective January 2, 2026.
C-7 Esraa Farag, Law, Records Support Technician, hired effective January 12, 2026, at $45,000.00 annually.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

C-8 Meeting Minutes of the Advisory Committee for Individuals with Disabilities on 11/17/2025
C-9 Meeting Minutes of the Passaic Valley Water Commission on 11/25/2025
C-10 Meeting Minutes of the Clifton Historical Advisory Commission on 12/4/2025
C-11 Meeting Minutes of the ABC Board - 12/10/2025
C-12 Meeting Minutes of the Clifton Planning Board on 12/04/26

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8062-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8062-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8062-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 349 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Permit Parking on Residential Streets and Municipal Lots," Article I, Entitled "Residential Streets," More Particularly Section 349-2 Thereof, Entitled "Restricted Streets" (Orchard Street)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8063-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8063-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8063-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Street for Private Residences" (Adds 6 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8064-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8064-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8064-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Street for Private Residences" (Deletes 1 Restricted Handicapped Space)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8065-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8065-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8065-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Street for Private Residences" (Amends 2 Handicapped Parking Placard Numbers)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8066-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8066-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8066-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-37 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets" (Deletes 3 Handicapped Spaces)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8067-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8067-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8067-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

Model Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8068-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8068-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8068-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation." More Particularly Article IV Thereof, Entitled "Officials and Employees not Represented by a Bargaining Unit," and More Particularly Section 99-18 Thereof, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Amends the Salary for Class II Special Police Officers)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. **Adoption of Ordinance 8069-25**

B. **Public Hearing on Ordinance 8069-25**

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8069-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 273 of the Code of the City of Clifton, at Article IV Entitled "Lead-Based Paint Hazard Inspection Requirements for Rental Dwellings" (Incorporates Newly Enacted State Law and Revises Fee Schedule Regarding Subsequent Inspections)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8070-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8070-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8070-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 45 of the Code of the City of Clifton Entitled "Hazardous Materials Control Board" (Adds One Alternate Member to the Board; Establishes that Half of the Stipend for a HazMat Technician will come out of the HazMat Budget; and adds Cost Recovery Chapter Pursuant to Model Ordinance Provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8071-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8071-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8071-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement the Code of the City of Clifton to Create a New Chapter 153 Entitled "Cosmetologist-Hair Stylist, Beautician, Barbershops, Skin Care, Manicuring and Hair Braiding" (Adopts Regulations)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8072-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8072-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8072-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Benefits", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees," and More Particularly Section 99-34 Thereof, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Amends Salary of Director of Public Works)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8073-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8073-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8073-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of CLifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation," More Particularly Article III Thereof, Entitled "Supervisory Officials and Employees" Section 99-10, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Amends to Include Title of Superintendent of Public Works and Eliminates Duplicate Title of Supervising Mechanic)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8074-26

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman D'Amato.

Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Automotive Vehicles for the Police Department in and by the City of Clifton, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, Appropriating $800,000 Therefore and Authorizing the Issuance of $760,000 Bonds or Notes of the City to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday January 20, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8075-26

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilman Latona and seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula.

An Ordinance to Amend Part II (General Legislation) to add a New Chapter to the City Code - Chapter 212 Entitled "E-Bikes and Electric Scooters"

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday January 20, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8076-26

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman D’Amato.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement the Code of the City of Clifton to add a Chapter Entitled "Short Term Tentals" (Creates Regulations Regarding Short Term Rentals)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday January 20, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8077-26

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman D’Amato.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation," More Particularly Article IV Thereof, Entitled "Officials and Employees not Represented by a Bargaining Unit.," and More Particularly Section 99-18 Thereof, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Removes the Title of Clerk (Part-Time), adds the Title of Housing Aide (Part-Time) and adds Stipends)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday January 20, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8078-26

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman D'Amato.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation," More Particularly Article II Thereof, Entitled "Nonuniformed Officials and Employees," Section 99-2, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed; Uniform Allowances" (add Titles of Chief Code Enforcement Officer, Code Enforcement Officer Trainee, Legal Assistant, Legal Secretary, Personnel Aide and Amends Salary Range for Payroll Clerk and Purchasing Assistant)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday January 20, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Guy Madsen spoke regarding the upcoming election, noting there is a lot to do to clean up Clifton. He spoke about a Facebook page he created to support the residents and businesses, and complemented a small business named Lucci's Pizza on Route 3. He noted his pleasure of seeing Councilman Gibson on Zoom. He asked who signs off on the timesheets of the council. He requested an independent investigation into health benefits for council members.

Nancy Chirlo asked for a review and revision of the parking permits for visitors and owners. She is a property owner who cannot request more than one parking sticker to stop by and fix her property that she rents out. The City Manager requested her contact information.

James Lasgar requested a review of the Delawanna speed limit and advised that the residents signed a petition and would like the speed reduced to 25 MPH. He added his support of the purchase of new police vehicles.

Gerard Scorziello spoke on behalf of the residents regarding the increasing dissatisfaction of the council. There is an increase in crime and violations of city codes. He requested the council look to the future and stop reflecting on the past.

Gary Perino commented on how proud he is of the mayor for saying the things he did at the last meeting. He complemented Todd in the Quality-of-Life department for fixing his problem and noted how proud he is that Todd is a city employee. He asked what devices will be included in the e-bike ordinance. He added that the speed on Delawanna Ave was included in the Traffic Safety Council meeting to be reduced to 25 MPH.

Flora Helbenitez requested the time for visitor parking be updated.

Ahmed Abdelbaki commented on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday yesterday. He spoke against ICE.

Richard Gacina, via Zoom, asked for the results of the investigation into health benefits and requested all names and payments.

Sarah Nosser asked what the city is doing about protecting the Clifton residents since the Immigration Protection Bill Package has not been signed by the Governor's Office.

Alexandra Smith asked if the city would support the community against ICE. She also noted her support for purchasing vehicles for the police department of Clifton; however, she asked for the car funds to possibly be spent on more resources and support for the students.

Stephanie Oviedo thanked the Clifton Police for their involvement and support during the latest vigil held in the city. She noted the absence of council members at the vigil. Additionally, she asked for information regarding an email she sent to the City Manager's office about threats towards the hosts of the vigil.

With no one else wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D'Amato and passed on roll call vote to close the public session.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE/RESPONSE TO RESIDENTS

City Manager, Gary DeMarzo, responded to the question about not responding to an email about a threat, and advised they were all told in the email chain that there was no need for city involvement. Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula requested the City Manager investigate the permit parking issues that were raised by the public. Councilwoman Sadrakula requested the City Manager also investigate the status of the speed on Delawanna Avenue with the Police Department. Councilwoman Pino requested the visitor parking permits be corrected. The full council agreed to have it addressed at the next meeting for first reading.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino congratulated Grace and the Adult Opportunity Center on their grand opening. She thanked the council for supporting the upcoming carnivals in the city. She extended an invitation to the council to participate in Clifton Behind the Scenes, the outreach initiative for our residents. She noted her support of the legal team and the direction they are heading in the investigation into health benefits. She thanked the speaker for a kind comment referring to her as a superwoman.

Councilman D'Amato

Councilman D'Amato thanked the public for coming out in the cold weather. He commented on the quality of Lucci's Pizza and noted his support for the business. He asked about the speed correction on Delawanna Ave. He complemented Mayor Grabowski on his conduct and comments at the last meeting. He thanked legal for their speedy and efficient response with regards to the e-bike ordinance and noted that the State of New Jersey has now passed a law regarding this. He asked legal about a possible time frame for when there will be a review from labor counsel regarding the health benefits, and City Attorney Tom Egan replied they are hoping for a response at the next regular meeting. He noted his support for anyone struggling with mental health issues and addressed the first amendment right to freedom of assembly.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson noted his disappointment on the resignment of one of our special police officers, Eduardo Dehais. He congratulated Derek Fogg on his retirement. Lastly, he requested that property owners who rent their homes out should be allowed to have visitors passes to clean up their properties. He wished everyone a speedy and safe ride home in the cold tonight.

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula questioned the health benefits and asked if any other council members have access to Prime Point. She asked who signs off on the council's time sheets, and City Manager Gary DeMarzo noted that the City Manager's office would be signing off upon submission, and a certification of truth and accuracy is also signed by the council member submitting the time sheet. Councilwoman Sadrakula's understanding is that Councilwoman Pino is claiming she is a full-time employee based on the hours worked. City Attorney, Tom Egan, countered that fact and stated that she is not claiming to be a full-time employee, but she is clocking her excess of 30 hours per week. She asked why any other council person who did not take the health benefits were not offered a stipend the same way city employees are offered a stipend for not taking the health benefits. She questioned the validity of the time stamps listed on the document provided by payroll.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona provided the public with a "state of the city" address, noting the past, present, and potential future of the city. The near future does not look bright, and it will be difficult. The new policies, revenues, and agreements should put the city in the right direction. He complemented Mayor Grabowski on his comments at the last meeting.

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej spoke regarding the Clifton Recreation program and noted the website for the public, www.cliftonrec.com, which has all the upcoming events and programs listed for our residents and families who would like to participate. The Health Department has a calendar of events on our Cliftonnj.org website, listing

special events at our satellite office on Parker Ave. He explained the importance of ordinance 8067-26 which was on for 2nd reading this evening. He advised the public to pay attention to what people do, and not what they say. The finances have been mismanaged and the way we can fund the new vehicles for the Police Department is to borrow funds in a bond. He requested a report on the storm recovery trust fund.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski congratulated Grace and the Adult Opportunity Center on their grand opening. He advised one of the speakers, Ms. Smith, to contact the Board of Education for mental health services in schools for the students. He also noted the need for repair on the fire house roof before there is any more damage. He thanked the public for coming out this evening.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions were passed during the Work Session and moved during the Regular Meeting, unless otherwise noted below.

RESOLUTION 015-26

RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the meeting of January 20th, 2026

		Payroll 12/30/25	Total Claims
Current Fund	$14,232,956.26	$2,762,539.49	$16,995,495.75
Grant Fund	$253,989.87	$71,951.32	$325,941.19
General Capital Fund	$480,643.27	$ -	$480,643.27
Sewer Utility -Operating	$23,406.24	$49,210.65	$72,616.89
Sewer Utility-Capital	$14,202.50	$ -	$14,202.50
Developers Escrow	$4,098.48	$ -	$4,098.48
Dog Trust	$2,521.20	$ -	$2,521.20
Revolving Loan Fund	$ -	$ -	$ -
Police Extra Duty	$ -	$36,879.75	$36,879.75
Trust Other	$218,513.69	$45,452.04	$263,965.73
Section 8 Public Housing	$247,395.89	$247,395.89	$ -
Affordable Housing	$ -	$ -	$ -
Community Development	$31,925.43	$31,925.43	$ -
Payroll Agency	$ -	$ -	$ -
Tax Title Lien Redemption	$ -	$ -	$ -
Affordable Housing	$ -	$ -	$ -
Self Insurance	$507,309.76	$ -	$507,309.76
Fire Dedicated Penalties	$ -	$ -	$ -
Revolving Loan Fund	$ -	$ -	$ -
Tax Title Lien Redemption	$ -	$ -	$ -
Unemployment Trust Fund	$37,642.87	$ -	$37,642.87
Library	$ -	$94,563.02	$94,563.02
General Liability Trust	$45,343.82	$ -	$45,343.82
Workers Compensation Trust	$65,056.64	$ -	$65,056.64
Trust Escrow	$ -	$ -	$ -
Reserve for Housing	$ -	$ -	$ -
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	$ -	$ -	$ -
TOTAL CLAIMS	**$16,165,005.92**	**$3,060,596.27**	**$19,225,602.19**

RESOLUTION 016-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE 2025 1ST QUARTER TAXES, THE 2025 2ND QUARTER TAXES, THE 2025 3RD QUARTER TAXES AND THE 2025 4TH QUARTER TAXES PAID ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 42.05 LOT 23, 222 SPEER AVE, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS John Harold Bennett Jr. has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for an exemption on the dwelling of a 100% permanent totally disabled veteran for the property located at 42.05 Lot 23, 222 Speer Ave., and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. as amended by.P.L.2019, c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq, the Tax Assessor has approved the exemption and because John Harold Bennett Jr. occupies 100% of the dwelling the disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption on 100% of the property; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Veteran Affairs determined an effective date of the 100% Permanent & Total Disability of January 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS in reference to any retroactive refund, pursuant to N.J.S.A.54:4-3.32, the governing body of each municipality, at its discretion, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made at the time of the exemption; and

WHEREAS by virtue of the approved 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran exemption, John Harold Bennett Jr. is entitled to the cancellation of a portion of the 2025 first quarter property taxes, the 2025 second quarter property taxes, the 2025 third quarter property taxes and the 2025 fourth quarter property taxes on the subject property, and at the governing body's discretion, to refund a portion of the 2025 first quarter taxes, the 2025 second quarter property taxes, the 2025 third quarter property taxes and the 2025 fourth quarter taxes in the amount of $ 10,366.81and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that for the reasons aforesaid, the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

1. To cancel and refund the pro-rated portion of the 2025 first quarter property taxes in the amount of $1,991.88, the 2025 second quarter property taxes in the amount of $2,675.65, the 2025 third quarter property taxes in the amount of $2,877.59 and the 2025 fourth quarter property taxes in the amount of $2,821.69 for a total refund of $10,366.81.

2. To keep the subject 100% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

RESOLUTION 017-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION THE 2026 1st QUARTER TAXES ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 55.11 LOT 16, 30 WINDING WAY, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, Clive Winth has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for an exemption on the dwelling of a 100% permanent totally disabled veteran for the property located at Block 55.11 Lot 16, 30 Winding Way; and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. as amended by.P.L.2019, c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq, the Tax Assessor has approved the exemption and because Clive Winth occupies 100% of the dwelling the disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption on 100% of the property; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Veteran Affairs determined an effective date of the 100% Permanent & Total Disability of January 8,2026; and

WHEREAS in reference to any retroactive refund, pursuant to N.J.S.A.54:4-3.32, the governing body of each municipality, at its discretion, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made at the time of the exemption; and

WHEREAS by virtue of the approved 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran exemption, Clive Winth is entitled to the cancellation of the 2026 first quarter property taxes on the subject property, and at the governing body's discretion, to refund of the 2026 first quarter taxes in the amount of $0.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that for the reasons aforesaid, that the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

3. To cancel the property taxes for the first quarter of 2026 for a total refund of $ 0.00.

4. To keep the subject 100% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

RESOLUTION 018-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION of 67% OF THE TAXES AND REFUND 67% OF A PORTION OF THE 2025 4TH QUARTER TAXES PAID ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 37.02 LOT 9, 16 GRUNWALD ST, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS Kevin T. Morgan has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for an exemption on the dwelling of a 100% permanent totally disabled veteran for the property located at 37.02 Lot 9, 16 Grunwald St., and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. as amended by.P.L.2019, c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq, the Tax Assessor has approved 67% the exemption and because Kevin T. Morgan occupies 67% of the dwelling the disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption on 67% of the property; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Veteran Affairs determined an effective date of the 100% Permanent & Total Disability of December 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS in reference to any retroactive refund, pursuant to N.J.S.A.54:4-3.32, the governing body of each municipality, at its discretion, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made at the time of the exemption; and

WHEREAS by virtue of the approved 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran exemption, Kevin T. Morgan is entitled to the cancellation of 67% portion of the 2025 fourth property taxes on the subject property, and at the governing body's discretion, to refund 67% of a portion of the 2025 fourth quarter taxes in the amount of $112.63; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that for the reasons aforesaid, that the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

5. To cancel and refund 67% of the portion of the 2025 fourth quarter property taxes in the amount of $ 112.63 for a total refund of $ 112.63
6. To keep the subject 100% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

RESOLUTION 019-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT
2024 NJDOT SIDEWALK AND CURB IMPROVEMENTS
GRANADA CONSTRUCTION CORP.

WHEREAS, GRANADA CONSTRUCTION CORP. of Newark, New Jersey, did complete **2024 NJDOT SIDEWALK AND CURB IMPROVEMENTS** project in and for the City of Clifton for the total amount

of **$1,263,854.60**

And previous payments on account of said total have been paid in the amount of. **$1,238,577.51**

Leaving this **FINAL PAYMENT** of . . . . . **$ 25,277.09**

WHEREAS, said work was authorized by contract duly awarded at a regular meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor has posted a Maintenance Bond, for a period of two years, in the amount of $126,385.46; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has inspected the work done and has determined that said work has been properly done and completed, to the best of his knowledge, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the contract as amended, if amended, and hereby recommends that the said work be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Clifton does hereby formally accept the work as shown as completed in this resolution and contract.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is authorized and directed to include the said claim totaling $25,277.09 on the claim list.

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER NO. 58083

RESOLUTION 020-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL 2024 NJDOT SIDEWALK AND CURB IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2024, the City of Clifton adopted Resolution R529-24 awarding a contract to **GRANADA CONSTRUCTION CORP.** of NEWARK, NJ, for the performance of certain public work and the furnishing of material, labor and equipment for **2024 NJDOT SIDEWALK AND CURB IMPROVEMENTS** in the amount of $1,259,273.50; and

WHEREAS, regulations, adopted by the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, and dealing with "Contract Change Order" open-end contracts, etc., became effective on April 15, 1977; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has requested that a Change Order be made to the contract awarded to **GRANADA CONSTRUCTION CORP.**, in the amount of $4,581.10 a 0.36% Increase as authorized by Resolution said being necessary for the proper completion of the project job; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton desires to comply with said regulations, and to the end herewith files with the Governing Body a report of the Engineering Department stating the facts involved and indicating that the proposed contract Change Order is necessary and should be approved and allowed; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of sufficient funds for the amendatory change for which authorization is requested in the amount of $4,581.10 a 0.36% INCREASE; and

WHEREAS, the total contract amount is now $1,263,854.60.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton that the said amendatory Change Order be and the same is hereby ratified and payment therefore is hereby approved.

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER 58083

RESOLUTION 021-26

RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTIONS, INC. FOR LICENSED SITE REMEDIATION SERVICES AT THE DPW, FIREHOUSE #3, FIREHOUSE #6, CITY HALL AND THE SAFAS SITE - 1/1/26 THRU 12/31/26

WHEREAS, in accordance with a mandate by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), the City of Clifton, by previous resolutions, appointed Rohan Tadas, presently of Environmental Resolutions, Inc., as its Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) for five sites in the City requiring remediation: the DPW, Firehouse #3, Firehouse #6, City Hall, and the former Safas site; and

WHEREAS, remediation work has been ongoing on the five sites for years and must be continued and Environmental Resolutions, Inc. has submitted proposals to provide said services for the period January 1, 2026 thru December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract for said services be awarded to Environmental Resolutions, Inc., in accordance with its submitted proposals, in the total amount not to exceed $154,780.00, allocated to each site as follows:

DPW	$68,180.00
Firehouse #3	$31,500.00
Firehouse #6	$10,000.00
City Hall	$24,800.00
Safas Site	$20,000.00

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract for the remediation services to Environmental Resolutions, Inc. of Mount Laurel, NJ, for the period January 1, 2026 thru December 31, 2026 in accordance with its proposals, at a total cost not to exceed $154,480.00; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under ***N.J.S.A.*** 40A:11-5 ***et seq***.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A*. 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the contractor and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract for 2026 is determined to be not to exceed $154,480.00, and the duration of the contract is 1/1/26 - 12/31/26;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional engineering services contract be awarded to Environmental Resolutions, Inc. of Mount Laurel, NJ, for professional remediation services for the DPW Site, Firehouse #3, Firehouse #6, City Hall and Safas Site, for the year 2026, at a price not to exceed $154,480.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton, and that the original of this resolution and the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The City of Clifton has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to ***N.J.S.A.*** 40:11-5(1)(a). The contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to:	Environmental Resolutions, Inc., Mount Laurel, NJ
Services:	Site Remediation
Project:	DPW, Firehouse #3, Firehouse #6, City Hall & Safas Site
Cost:	Not to Exceed $154,480.00
Term:	1/1/26 - 12/31/26

RESOLUTION 022-26

RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON COUNTY OF PASSAIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE A FEDERAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE NJDOT

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) authorized funding up to an amount of $284,069.69 for Streetscape Improvements to Main Avenue; and

WHEREAS, this authorization was based on the scope of work and budget agreed upon by the City of Clifton and the NJDOT Division of Local Aid; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work in this authorization includes Preliminary Engineering (PE) Activities, and Final Design Activities will be authorized once PE activities have been completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City to enter a design contract between the City of Clifton and GPI for Preliminary Engineering (PE) Activities; and

WHEREAS, work cannot begin until this funding agreement is executed by NJDOT;

NOW, **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the attached Federal Aid Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to return four (4) original signed and sealed copies of the attached agreement along with three (3) signed/sealed Resolutions for execution by the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NJDOT will receive an initial billing (payment voucher) from the City for the design project no later than 3 months after the NJDOT has concurred in the award of the construction contract, and will receive subsequent billings in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

RESOLUTION 023-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF SITUATIONAL AWARENESS EQUIPMENT WITH LICENSE PLATE READER FOR RIVER ROAD OFF THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP CONTRACT PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has experienced an increase in illegal dumping incidents along River Road within the City of Clifton, despite ongoing cleanup and enforcement efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Association (11BCCP), the sister cooperative under Bergen County (CK04), from which a contract for Situational Awareness Equipment with License Plate Readers for River Road is awarded via BC-BID-23-17; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, in coordination with the Clifton Police Department, has recommended the purchase of a trailer-mounted, high-resolution security camera system equipped with enhanced license plate reader (LPR) technology to proactively deter, monitor, and enforce against illegal dumping and vandalism; and for the term of May 18, 2025 to May 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the proposed system will enable the Clifton Police Department to identify violators and issue summonses when illegal activity occurs, thereby enhancing public safety, improving enforcement outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchase includes the camera system, communication boxes, and full configuration and alignment of all equipment, at a total cost of **$49,823.63** from Gold Type Business Machines located at 351 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ through the Bergen County Cooperative Contract No. BC-BID-23-17; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Municipal Council wishes to authorize procurement of Situational Awareness Equipment With License Plate Reader, via the aforesaid Bergen County cooperative contract, and therefore delegates the power to make the same to the following named official: **Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent** upon the terms and conditions hereafter stated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IF RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned procurements as needed from the above-named awarded contractors off the Bergen County's NJCPA Cooperative Contract No. BC-BID-23-17, through to May 2026; and

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be certified at the time of purchase via the presentation of a properly executed purchase order, budget adoption and budgetary appropriations considered. See attached.

RESOLUTION 024-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO GRAVIANO & GILLIS ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS LLC FOR 2025 CITY OF CLIFTON HOUSING PLAN AND FAIR SHARE ELEMENT AND HEREBY RATIFICATION OF THE PAYMENT FOR YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is required to prepare and update its Housing Plan and Fair Share Element in accordance with the Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq., and applicable regulations of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing and/or the Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Graviano & Gillis Architects & Planners, LLC has demonstrated the requisite experience and specialized expertise in affordable housing planning and municipal compliance with State housing requirements; and

WHEREAS, Graviano & Gillis Architects & Planners, LLC has submitted a written proposal for these services in an amount **not to exceed $6,930.00**; and

WHEREAS, the services were rendered during **Calendar Year 2025**, and payment is required for those professional services; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under ***N.J.S.A.*** 40A:11-5 ***et seq***.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A*. 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for rendering such Professional services by Graviano & Gillis Architects & Planners LLC. located at Po Box 3341, Long Branch, NJ 07740, Inc. for ratification of payment of $6,930.00 for year 2025;

Certification of Funds: Funds are available in COAH Account# 18-286-56-850-800

RESOLUTION 025-26

AUTHORIZING AND AWARDING AVAILABLE 2026 CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE, COLLECTION OF BULK WASTE, AND COLLECTION OF VEGETATIVE WASTE SERVICES TO SUBURBAN DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 060-23, the City of Clifton authorized a contract for the Collection of Solid Waste, Collection of Bulk Waste, and Collection of Vegetative Waste Services on January 17,2023 to Suburban Disposal, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, the contract award to Suburban Disposal, Inc., was for a period of three years, with two (2) one (1) year renewal options,

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has stated that Suburban Disposal, Inc. has provided services satisfactorily, and has requested that the City Council authorize the 2021 contract renewal, for a total not to exceed amount of $9,581,000.00, as originally proposed and awarded; and,

WHEREAS, Amisha J. Jariwala, the appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent, has reviewed and concurs with the Director of Public works that such an extension was proposed and considered during the Council's initial award, is in the best interest of the City of Clifton; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the extension of the above contract to Suburban Disposal, Inc., from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, for a total not to exceed amount of $9,581,000.00, in accordance with Resolution 060-23 of January, 2023.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be made in account number 01-201-32-465-502 (solid waste recycling), subject to 2026 budget adoption. See attached.

RESOLUTION 026-26

AUTHORIZING AVAILABLE 2026 CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR VEGATATIVE WASTE DISPOSAL TO RER SUPPLY LLC

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 059-23, the City of Clifton authorized a contract for Disposal of Vegetative Waste on January 17,2023 to RER Supply, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the contract award to RER Supply, LLC, was for a period of three-years and two One-year renewal options , for a total contract amount of $912,800.00, based on estimated annual amounts; and

WHEREAS, the above contract award to RER Supply, LLC, located at 4 South Corporate Drive, Riverdale NJ 07457, via Resolution 059-23, dated January 17,2023, which provided for two (2) annual contract extensions; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has stated that RER Supply LLC has provided services satisfactorily, and has requested that the City Council authorize the 2022 extension, for a total not to exceed amount of $331,225.00 (Item 14 and 20) and Disposal of Brush Logs and Stumps(Item 5 and 11) for $70,860.00 i.e. for total not to exceed $406,260.00, as originally proposed and awarded; and

WHEREAS, Amisha J. Jariwala, the appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent, has reviewed and concurs with the Director of Public works that such an extension is in the best interest of the City of Clifton; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the extension of the above contract to RER Supply, LLC, through to December 31, 2026, for a total not to exceed annual amount of $406,260.00

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be made in account number 01-201-32-465-502 (solid waste recycling) subject to 2026 budget adoption.

RESOLUTION 027-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO THE FRIENDS OF SHELTER (FOS) FOR 2026 CITY OF CLIFTON VETERINARY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Health Officer solicited informal proposals for the provision of certain veterinary services to the Animal Shelter of the City of Clifton for 2026 from numerous providers; and

WHEREAS, these services shall be as follows:

- Examination
- FiV FeLV Test (Feline) or Heartworm Test (Canine)
- Revolution ()Feline) or Frontline (Canine)
- Deworming
- Vaccinated against Rabies & Distemper

WHEREAS, in response thereto, one (1) informal proposal was received, wherein the Friends of the Shelter, Inc., a 501C(3) non-profit corporation, has offered to provide veterinary services to the City of Clifton Animal Shelter through utilization of various licensed veterinarian subcontractors, at the favorable rate of $130 flat fee per animal; and

WHEREAS, a report was submitted to the City Manager wherein the Health Officer recommends the award of a contract for said services to Friends of the Shelter, Inc., which provided the sole and lowest quotation as aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is approximately $56,500.00, and the duration of the contract is for one year; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under ***N.J.S.A.*** 40A:11-5 ***et seq***.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A*. 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for the provision of veterinarians to provide certain veterinary services to the Animal Shelter located on the City Hall site, be and the same is hereby awarded to the Friends of the Shelter, Inc., of Clifton, N. J., at the aforesaid rates, the total price not to exceed $56,500.00; and

Certification of Funds: Funds are available in Animal Control Shelter Expenses# 01-201-27-340-323. See attached.

RESOLUTION 028-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF PASSAIC COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT WITH GOVDEALS, INC FOR ONLINE AUCTION SERVICES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is the owner of certain surplus property, which is no longer needed for public use, the list of which is attached as 2026 EXHIBIT A; and

WHEREAS, the City has historically utilized an Online Auction Service in order to sell and dispose of obsolete equipment and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2021, the County of Passaic, via County Resolution R20210329 awarded a cooperative contract to GovDeals, Inc., in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq. for Online Auction Services in accordance with "Fair and Open" procedures as established in the "Pay-to-Play" Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the County cooperative contract with GovDeals, Inc. has been extended through to March 31, 2026, in accordance with Passaic County's RFP 21-001; and

WHEREAS, the above Passaic County cooperative contract with GovDeals, Inc. was proposed and awarded at no cost to the municipal client, whereby GovDeals, Inc. charges the buyer a percentage premium above the net auction bid amount which is payable to the municipality; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, in the county of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the list of vehicles as attached on 2026 Exhibit A shall be sold via online public auction services, as provided by the City's contracted vendor, GovDeals, Inc., 5907 Carmichael Place, Montgomery, AL 36117; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Qualified Purchasing Agent to initiate and advertise the above online auction.

RESOLUTION 029-26

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR
FORM PRINTING & STATIONERY PRINTING SERVICES
(YEAR 2026-2027)

WHEREAS, the current contracts for Form Printing & Stationery expired on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, bids for Form Printing were received and opened on January 14, 2026; and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received:

1. Envelopes and Printed Products, Inc.
2. Concept Printing, LLC

WHEREAS, Concept Printing, LLC had submitted the lowest pricing for items 2, 11,12,24-26, 28-31, 34-36, 38-72, and 74; and

WHEREAS, Envelopes and Printed Products, Inc. had submitted the lowest pricing for items 1, 3,4,5,6-10,13-23,27,32,33,37 and 73; and

WHEREAS, the term of said contracts will be renewed and will commence on January 1, 2026 and end on December 31, 2027 and can be extended for two-one year extensions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that open-ended contracts for furnishing and delivering Form Printing & Stationery to the various departments of the City of Clifton, as needed, is hereby awarded as follows in accordance with bids received January 14,2026 :

	Envelopes and Printed Products		
	Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
Item 1 - Business Cards	1	Box	$44.00
	2	Boxes	$39.00
	Concept Printing		
Item 2 - Double-Sided Business Cards (Health)	1	Box	$45.00
	2	Boxes	$43.00
	Envelopes and Printed Products		
Item 3 - Envelopes #10 (As Needed All Departments)	1	Box	$64.00
	2	Boxes	$39.00
	5	Boxes	$29.00
	10	Boxes	$24.00

Item 4 - Envelopes #10 (City Manager/Clerk/CDBG/Engineering/Fire/Legal/Zoning)	1	Box	$119.00
	2	Boxes	$72.00
	5	Boxes	$44.00
	10	Boxes	$34.00
	Envelopes and Printed Products		
Item 5 - Envelopes #10 (Health)	1	Box	$84.00
	2	Boxes	$64.00
	5	Boxes	$62.00
	10	Boxes	$59.00
	Envelopes and Printed Products		
Item 6 - Envelopes #10 (Police)	1	Box	$64.00
	2	Boxes	$39.00
	5	Boxes	$29.00
	10	Boxes	$24.00
Item 7 - Envelopes #10 (Housing)	1	Box	$64.00
	2	Boxes	$39.00
	5	Boxes	$29.00
	10	Boxes	$24.00
Item 8 - Envelopes #10 (Housing/Focus Group)	1	Box	$89.00
	2	Boxes	$56.00
	5	Boxes	$36.00
	10	Boxes	$35.00
Item 9 - Envelopes Windows#10 (As needed All Departments)	1	Box	$64.00
	2	Boxes	$46.00
	5	Boxes	$34.00
	10	Boxes	$29.00
Item 10 - Security Tinted Envelopes Windows#10(Finance /Police)	1	Box	$59.00
	2	Boxes	$46.00
	5	Boxes	$39.00
	10	Boxes	$36.00
	Concept Printing		
Item 11- Envelopes #10 (Hazardous Materials Control Bd (HMCB)	1	Box	$105.00
	2	Boxes	$70.00
	5	Boxes	$45.00
	10	Boxes	$30.00
Item 12 - Envelopes #9 (Fire Dept)	1	Box	$150.00
	2	Boxes	$85.00
	5	Boxes	$65.00
	10	Boxes	$55.00
	Envelopes and Printed Products		
Item 13 - Envelopes #9(Health Dept)	1	Box	$88.00
	2	Boxes	$76.00
	5	Boxes	$74.00
	10	Boxes	$68.00
Item 14 - Envelopes #11(Fire Dept)	1	Box	$114.00
	2	Boxes	$84.00
	5	Boxes	$64.00
	10	Boxes	$55.00
Item 15- Envelope #12 (Health Dept)	1	Box	$114.00

	2	Boxes	$84.00
	5	Boxes	$64.00
	10	Boxes	$55.00
	Envelopes and Printed Products		
Item 16 - Cut-in-cards Envelope (Building)	1	Box	$114.00
	2	Boxes	$84.00
	5	Boxes	$64.00
	10	Boxes	$55.00
Item 17 - Brown Craft Envelope (Fire Dept.)	1	Box	$164.00
	2	Boxes	$104.00
	5	Boxes	$86.00
	10	Boxes	$78.00
Item 18 - Letterhead (As needed all Departments)	1	Box	$139.00
	2	Boxes	$89.00
	5	Boxes	$59.00
	10	Boxes	$58.00
Item 19 - Letterhead (Police Dept)	1	Box	$139.00
	2	Boxes	$89.00
	5	Boxes	$59.00
	10	Boxes	$58.00
Item 20 - Letterhead (Health Dept)	1	Box	$139.00
	2	Boxes	$89.00
	5	Boxes	$59.00
	10	Boxes	$58.00
Item 21 - Letterhead (HUD)	1	Box	$79.00
	2	Boxes	$59.00
	5	Boxes	$44.00
	10	Boxes	$43.00
Item 22 - Letterhead (CDBG/FOCUS)	1	Box	$139.00
	2	Boxes	$94.00
	5	Boxes	$59.00
	10	Boxes	$54.00
Item 23 - Letterhead (Art Center)	1	Box	$79.00
	2	Boxes	$59.00
	5	Boxes	$44.00
	10	Boxes	$43.00

Category B: License Books	**Concept Printing**		
	Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
Item 24 - Cash Bail Receipt Book (Court/PD)	20	Books	$17.50
	40	Books	$13.50
	100	Books	$10.50
Item 25 - Cash Bail Receipt Book (Court)	20	Books	$13.50
	40	Books	$10.50
	100	Books	$7.95
Item 26 - Receipt Book (Finance)	7	Books	$49.50
	14	Books	$35.00

Category C: One-sided Forms

Item 27 – Dog License

Envelopes and Printed Products		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
10	Box	$29.00

Category C: One-sided Forms

Item 28 - Establishment License

Concept Printing		
1	Box	$95.00

Item 29 - Sanitary Inspection Placard "Satisfactory"

1	Box	$105.00

Category C: One-sided Forms

Item 30 - Sanitary Inspection Placard "Conditionally Satisfactory"

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
1	Box	$105.00

Item 31 - Survey (Older Adult Services)

1	Box	$95.00

Item 32 - UCC Form F255 (Stop Construction Placard)

Envelopes and Printed Products		
500	Box	$129.00
1	M	$184.00
5	M	$104.00

Item 33 - UCC Form (Danger)

500	Ea	$129.00
1	M	$184.00
5	M	$104.00

Category D: Two-sided Forms

Item 34 - UCC Form F180 (Construction Permit Notice)

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
500	Ea	$145.00
1	M	$195.00
5	M	$98.50

Item 35 - Inspection Record (Building)

500	Ea	$135.00
1	M	$185.00
5	M	$90.00

Item 36 - Towed Vehicle Notification (Police)

500	Ea	$70.00
1	M	$95.00
5	M	$60.00

Item 37- ACH Form

Envelopes and Printed Products		
500	Ea	$160.00
1	M	$185.00
5	M	$85.00

<u>Category E: Two(2) Part Forms</u>

Item 38 - Sanitary Inspection Report (Continuation Sheet)

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
1	Box	$165.00
2	Boxes	$105.00

Item 39 - Warrant to Discharge Prisoner (Court)

500	Ea	$95.50
1	M	$150.00
5	M	$97.50

Item 40 - Summons - Subpoena (Court)

Concept Printing		
500	Ea	$95.50
1	M	$150.00
5	M	$97.50

Item 41 - Notification of Penalties DWI (Court)	500	Ea	$105.00
	1	M	$160.00
Item 42 - Order Payment of Fines and Costs	500	Ea	$105.00
	1	M	$160.00
	5	M	$98.50
Item 43 - Authorization to apply bail against fines (Court)	500	Ea	$90.00
	1	M	$145.00
Item 44-Clifton Tobacco Age of Sale Enforcement (c-tase) Notice of Inspection Results - (Health)	1	Ea	$210.00
	5	M	$125.00
Item 45- Notice of Violation (Health)	1	M	$210.00
	5	M	$125.00
Item 46 - Private Swimming Pool License Renewal (Bldg.)	500	Ea	$95.00
	1	M	$150.00
Item 47 - Inspection Failure (Bldg.)	500	Ea	95.00
	1	M	150.00
Item 48 - Carbon Monoxide Detector Activation (Fire Dept)	500	Ea	$125.00
	1	M	$105.00
Item 49 – Flavor Vape Check -Inspection (Health)	1	M	$210.00
	5	M	$125.00

Category F: Three (3) Part Forms	**Concept Printing**		
	Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**
Item 50 – Cut-in-Card (Bldg.)	500	Ea	$110.00
	1	M	$165.00 /m
Item 51 - Employee Warning Notice (Fire Dept)	500	Ea	$150.00
	1	M	$215.00
Item 52 – Case Management Order (Court)	500	Ea	$125.00
	1	M	$175.00
Item 53 - Commitment to Jail (Court)	500	Ea	$175.00
	1	M	$125.00
Item 54 -Reinspection Fee(Health)	1	M	$175.00
	2	M	$125.00
Item 55 - Subpoena to Testify (Court)	1	M	$140.00
	2	M	$105.00
Item 56 - Request to Dismiss or Void Complaint (Court)	1	M	$145.00
	2	M	$110.00
Item 57 - Subpoena to Testify- Form 98 (Court)	1	M	$195.00
	2	M	$145.00

Category G: Four(4) Part Forms	**Concept Printing**

Item 58 – Order and Certification ,Intoxicated Driving and Related Offenses (Court)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
500	M	$195.00
1	M	$275.00

Category H: Five Part Forms

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**

Item 59 - Municipal Court Order

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$450.00
2	M	$295.00

Item 60 - NJ Bail Recognizance (Court)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
5	M	$175.00

Category I: Stickers

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**

Item 61 - UCC Form F-230B (Not Approved)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$90.00
5	M	$75.00

Item 62 - UCC Form F-224A (Approval for Fire Protection)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$80.00
5	M	$65.00

Item 63 - UCC Form F-223 (Approval for Plumbing)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$80.00
5	M	$65.00

Item 64 - UCC Form F-222A (Approval for Electrical)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$80.00
5	M	$65.00

Item 65 - UCC Form F-221 (Approval for Building)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$75.00
5	M	$60.00

Category J: Folders

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**

Item 66 - UCC Form F-100-1 Construction Permit Application-Folded Jacket

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$195.00
5	M	$170.00
10	M	$150.00

Category K: Pads & Other Items

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**

Item 67 - Plea Agreement Pads (Court)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
200	pads	$2.95

Qty	Unit	Unit Price

Item 68 – Euthanasia Record Card (Health)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	box	$95.00
2	Boxes	$65.00

Concept Printing		
Qty	**Unit**	**Unit Price**

Item 69 - Uniform Traffic Tickets (Court)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
10	M	$495.00
20	M	$347.50

Concept Printing		

Item 70 - Special Form of Complaint & Summons (Court)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$2,015.00
2	M	$1,237.50

Concept Printing		

Item 71 – Door Knockers (Animal Control)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
1	M	$125.00
2	M	$105.00

Item 72- Door Knockers(Health Dept)

Qty	Unit	Unit Price
250	M	$125.00
500	M	$105.00

Item 73- Envelopes 10 Window (Hazardous Materials Control Board (HMCB)

Envelopes and Printed Products		
1	Box	$119.00
2	Boxes	$72.00
5	Boxes	$44.00
10	Boxes	$34.00
Concept Printing		
1	Box	$175.00
2	Boxes	$120.00
5	Boxes	$98.50
10	Boxes	$85.00

Item 74- White Kraft Envelope (Health Dept.)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed hereby to execute *open-ended* contracts, no purchase from which shall individually exceed $17,500.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS, funds are available and will be charged accordingly as expenses occur.

RESOLUTION 030-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO MICROSYSTEMS-NJ.COM LLC FOR PREPARATION AND MAILING OF 2026 ASSESSMENT NOTICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-38.1, the Tax Assessor is required to mail Chapter 75 Assessment Notice postcards to each taxable property annually to inform taxpayers of their current assessed value and to provide information regarding the assessment appeal process; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Tax Assessor has filed the 2026 tax list and must prepare and mail assessment notices to approximately 23,199 taxable properties within the statutory timeframe; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has determined that MicroSystems-NJ.com, L.L.C., the City's assessment MOD IV vendor, successfully performed these services for the 2025 Tax Year in a timely and reliable manner, including mailing the notices ahead of schedule and posting electronic copies on the City's assessment search portal; and

WHEREAS, Tax Assessor has obtained a price quote from MicroSystems-NJ.com, L.L.C. for the 2026 Tax Year in the amount of $19,340.17, calculated at $0.83 per notice for 23,199 properties plus $85.00 processing, which includes postage at the current rate of $0.61 per piece, subject to postal rate changes; and

WHAREAS, the 2026 cost represents an increase of $2,089.43 from the prior year, of which approximately $1,159.95 is attributable solely to the United States Postal Service increase of $0.05 per postcard; and

WHEREAS, the timely mailing and website posting of these assessment notices provides an important service and convenience to Clifton property owners and assists taxpayers and their representatives with income tax and assessment appeal matters; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under ***N.J.S.A.*** 40A:11-5 ***et seq***.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A*. 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to award a contract to MicroSystems-NJ.com, L.L.C. for the preparation, printing, and mailing of 2026 Tax Year Chapter 75 Assessment Notices in an amount not to exceed $19,340.17, subject to adjustment only for actual postage rate changes.

Certification of Funds: Funds are available in Account# 01-201-20-145-224

RESOLUTION 031-26

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO ESO SOLUTIONS INC. FOR CITY OF CLIFTON EMS SOFTWARE SERVICES FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Department has a need of basic proprietary EMS software and services ; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has a need to acquire such service as a Non-Fair and Open Contract pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.5

WHEREAS, as a determination has been made as follows:

1. The known or estimated cost of the goods or service to be provided will exceed $17,500.
2. Price quotes have been solicited and received from one service provider.
3. The anticipated term of this contract is for the calendar year 2026.
4. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4(a), the maximum dollar value of this contract shall be $20,270.96 and the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under ***N.J.S.A.*** 40A:11-5 ***et seq***.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A*. 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to not exceed $20,270.96, and the duration of the contract is from January 6, 2026 to January 5, 2027;and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED ,that the Mayor and the City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for rendering such software services by ESO Solutions Inc. 11500 Alterra Pkwy Ste 100 Austin TX 78759-3192 for fees of $20,270.96 for year 2026; and

Certification of Funds: Funds are available in Account# 01-201-25-265-503

RESOLUTION 032-26

RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO HENDRICKS APPRAISAL COMPANY, LLC FOR GENERAL APPRAISAL SERVICES INCLUDING APPRAISALS IN CONNECTION WITH TAX APPEALS FOR 2026

WHEREAS, Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC has been providing appraisal services for Tax Court and other miscellaneous required appraisal work satisfactory to the City and the City requires renewal of the contract for 2026; and

WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional services, within the meaning of those terms as used in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq*., and, accordingly, a contract may be awarded therefore without public advertising for bids and bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A 19:44-A-20.4 *et seq.;* and

WHEREAS, the estimated combined value of this vendor's contracts may be in excess of $17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the professional services contract for general appraisal services in connection with tax appeals and miscellaneous required appraisal work with Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC of West Orange, New Jersey, is renewed for the year 2026, on the same terms and conditions, not to exceed $20,000 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton, and that the original of this resolution award the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for the inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to execution of a contract prepared by the Law Department.

RESOLUTION 033-26

RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR APPRAISING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH TAX APPEALS FOR 2026

WHEREAS, McNerney & Associates, Inc. has been providing appraisal services for Tax Court and other miscellaneous required appraisal work satisfactory to the City and the City requires renewal of the contract for 2026; and

WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional services, within the meaning of those terms as used in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq*., and, accordingly, a contract may be awarded therefore without public advertising for bids and bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A 19:44-A-20.4 *et seq.;* and

WHEREAS, the estimated value of the contract may be in excess of $17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from McNerney and Associates, Inc. and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for appraising services in connection with tax appeals and other miscellaneous purposes for 2026 is hereby awarded

to McNerney & Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed $5,000 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton, and that the original of this resolution award the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for the inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to execution of a contract prepared by the Law Department.

RESOLUTION 034-26

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BY-LAWS OF THE CLIFTON CABLE ADVISORY TELEVISON COMMITTEE (REVISING SECTION 4. MEETINGS)

WHEREAS, the By-laws of Clifton Cable Advisory Television Committee were previously approved by the Mayor and Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Committee wishes to make a revision by changing the following section:

City of Clifton
Cable Advisory Television Committee Bylaws

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Section 4. Meetings

a. General committee meetings will be held quarterly in March, June, September and December on the fourth Wednesday at 7:00PM in the Conference Room 101 in Clifton City Hall.

b. When the fourth Wednesday of the month falls on a holiday, the general meeting will be held on the following Wednesday.

c. A schedule of general meetings will be supplied to the City Clerk by January 1st of each year.

d. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the committee members, petitioning the secretary in writing. Special meetings may be in person or by Zoom and is decision of Chair or whoever calling special meeting.

e. Unless for emergent issues, at least 3 days written communication shall be given for a special in person meeting or zoom call.

f. Any schedule meeting may be changed by majority vote of the committee taken at a prior meeting.

DELETE section g.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton hereby approve and accept the revised Bylaws of the Clifton Cable Advisory Television Committee and all other provisions of the above-entitled bylaws are not further amended and remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

RESOLUTION 035-26

RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CIVIL RIGHTS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of an application from Timothy DaGiau to become a Member of the Civil Rights Committee to begin his two-year term on 1/20/2026 through 12/31/2027;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Timothy DaGiau be and is hereby appointed to the Civil Rights Committee commencing 1/20/2026.

RESOLUTION 036-26

RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING TWO MEMBERS OF THE CLIFTON ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, Alessia Eramo and George Foukas' terms as Members of the Clifton Zoning Board of Adjustment expired on December 31, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Council held interviews with six potential candidates for the two member positions on January 13, 2026;

WHEREAS, the Council re-appointed Alessia Eramo and George Foukas as members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that Alessia Eramo and George Foukas are hereby re-appointed as Members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, for a term of four years, commencing January 13, 2026 through December 31, 2029.

RESOLUTION 037-26

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, designate The Herald Newspaper and The Record Newspaper as the official newspapers of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2025, c. 72 requires that starting March 1, 2026, municipalities publish their public notices on the municipal website and the State website once available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, public notices will be available at https://www.cliftonnj.org/527/Public-Notices starting March 1, 2026, in compliance with P.L. 2025, c. 72.

RESOLUTION 038-26

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS UPON RETIREMENT –
DEREK L. FOGG
POLICE SERGEANT

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2026, Police Sergeant, Derek L. Fogg, officially retired from his position with the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed as a Police Officer on August 24, 1999 and his retirement will conclude an 26 year career in service to the public and the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, he has always displayed an attitude of professionalism and dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, he has been a credit to the City of Clifton during all this time, and this Governing Body wishes to acknowledge his long-time service to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby extend to

DEREK L. FOGG
POLICE SERGEANT

their sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done, as well as their best wishes for continued good health, peace and happiness in his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **DEREK L. FOGG.**

RESOLUTION 039-26

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS UPON RETIREMENT –
WILLIAM GUMANN
SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2026, Supervisor of Public Works, William Gumann, officially retired from his position with the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed as a Laborer on October 1, 1982 and his retirement will conclude an 43 year career in service to the public and the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, he has always displayed an attitude of professionalism and dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, he has been a credit to the City of Clifton during all this time, and this Governing Body wishes to acknowledge his long-time service to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby extend to

WILLIAM GUMANN
SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

their sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done, as well as their best wishes for continued good health, peace and happiness in his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **WILLIAM GUMANN.**

RESOLUTION 040-26

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS UPON RETIREMENT –
CAROLYN BONDONNA
TECHNICAL ASSISTANT TO THE CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL

WHEREAS, January 1, 2026, Technical Assistant to the Construction Official, Carolyn Bondonna, officially retired from her position with the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, she was appointed as a Keyboarding Clerk 1 on July 7, 2008 and her retirement will conclude a 17 year career in service to the public and the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career, she has always displayed an attitude of professionalism and dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, she has been a credit to the City of Clifton during all this time, and this Governing Body wishes to acknowledge her long-time service to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby extend to

CAROLYN BONDONNA
TECHNICAL ASSISTANT TO THE CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL

their sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done, as well as their best wishes for continued good health, peace and happiness in her retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **CAROLYN BONDONNA.**

RESOLUTION 041-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council deems it essential in the furtherance of the public interest, to discuss, in closed session, as expressly permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the following subject(s), to be discussed as per the Agenda and the Resolution; and

CON-1 Update of Liability Claims – July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025
CON-2 Personnel ~

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public shall be excused and excluded from this portion of the Council's meeting to be held on January 20, 2026 at which time, said subject(s) shall be discussed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the discussion held at such closed session can be disclosed to the public on or about the time the matter is concluded.

LICENSES

L-1 Sushi2box

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL
BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF SUSHI2BOX LLC
T/A SUSHI2BOX
for permission to conduct a: RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2027 on the premises known as:
1102 MAIN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
be and the same is hereby approved and licenses so issued in the compliance with the approval of the Board of Health, Fire Department, Police and Zoning Officer.

L-2 Shinjuku Station

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR ZHUANG HUA LIN
T/A SHINJUKU STATION
ADDRESS 850 NJ-3 STE. 105 CLIFTON, NJ 07012
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW TIO'S TACO & TEQUILA BAR
ZONE PD-HC
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-3 Charley's Cheesesteak

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR CHEESESTEAK KINGS LLC
T/A CHARLEY'S CHEESESTEAKS
ADDRESS 304 CLIFTON AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT
FORMERLY OR NEW NEW
ZONE RB1
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a Motion made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilman Latona, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen Tolosi, City Clerk

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Raymond Grabowski, Mayor